

## NEWS ROUNDUP

High Court halts hospital closure
 Tanbridge, Kent Twelve remaining patients, mainly
elderly, were due to be transferred today as the deadline set by the Tunbridge Wells Health Authority expired
 private session to close it temporarily. There were fears that The general practitioners who rout the hospital claimed the 20,000 signatures on on petition to Mrs Edwina Curie, Under
Secretary of Stare for Health Backed by the hospital's league of friends and GPs
throughout Kent, they successful sought judicial review and an a two -day hearing asked Mr Justice Huciachisvon to
overrule the authority's decision on the ground that it was
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 property or insuring him He suffered crippling spinal
injuries after a head on tackle in November 1980. The
action continues today.
Chaplain dies of Aids


 was chaplain to more than 2a00 teenager boys at Chelmsford
Prison, Essen, and Bullwood Hall, a female institution, at
Hockey, Esse
Victim loses again
The mother of a cerebral paly y victim who lost a state
allowance after social security officials heard hers say on a
local radio interview that her son was beating his handicap has had two more benefits withdrawn. Mrs Linda Sootson,
of Harried, Eats Sussex,
Discovered yesterday that along with the eft a week she receives to pay for two volunteers to
help with exercises for her son she bad lost allowances for hearing and her son's special dec Her total benefifithad been
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$£^{1} / 2 \mathrm{~m}$ cash deposit A man paid $£ 500,000$ from the eiz6-milion Brink's Mat
bullion robbery into bank in London asked for it to be
transferred to Zurich and left without a receipt the Central
 gave the account codename and named one of the banks
zurich staff. Nine people deny conspiring te handle
proceeds of the robbery. The trial continues today.
Prescott stands firm

 general secretary, had proposed a deal which ensured the
Labour conference in the autumn would debate the role of
the deputy leader, in return for Mr Prescott giving up. The Star's death riddle


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Congratulations to Henryk Jorgensen for winning the London Marathon. Probably the best lager in the world.

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## Soaring cost of TV

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## Church of England initiative

## $£ 80 \mathrm{~m}$ target for revival of inner cities

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Minister stands by logging policy

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## Rival arts show contract awarded <br> ts Show dWarded

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The new Legend Coupe．£24，000．


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Pity the man who believes the best things in life are free. He will never taste Beluga caviar. He will never experience Chateau Petrus 1961: He will never know what it is: to drive a car that has been designed without compromise

Not for him the surge of a race-bred engine on an open road, not for him the supple comfort of leather upholstery, not for him the sleek grace of a bodyshape that cuts noiselessly through the wind. In short, not for him the new Honda Legend Coupé

For the man, on the other harid; who seeks excellence, and who possesses the means to back his judgement, the new Legend Coupé brings a rich blend of rewards.

Foremost among them is the reward of commanding a truly fine engine. First, the technical data: the engine in question is Honda's 24 valve, 2.7 litre, programmed fuel injection V6. It delivers 177PS, powers you to 60 mph in 8.0 seconds, and cruises on, where legal, to a top speed of 132 mph .

Now for the superlatives. (Not ours, you understand; those of the motoring press.)
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than $£ 24,000$, neither will it require you to produce additional funds for extras. There is no 'luxury pack' for you to specify. Every conceivable luxury has already been provided.

Obviously, you'd prefer fine leather seats to cloth. So leather they are; plush, soft, supple. Naturally, you require a sunroof. Naturally, ours is smoked glass and electric powered. Did you say air conditioning? We go further than that. The Coupé is equipped with automatic climate control. So however fickle the weather outside the car, inside it will remain at the temperature you set.

Should you prefer automatic to manual transmission, then automatic you shall have, at no extra cost. But not just any automatic. The Honda system is controlled by microchip for optimum gear changes. And for those occasions when you want even more spirited performance, the system incorporates a sports mode.

What else is important to you? Cruise control? Anti-lock braking? Four speaker stereo? Central locking? It's all been taken care of. There is even an infra-red system for keyless entry. Examine the basic specification of the Legend's rivals. By comparison they are cars of almost monastic simplicity:

On to some of the other rewafest owning a Legend Coupé. Handling Superb. thanks to the all-round docuble wishbone: suspension. As What Car? put it: "The Legend, belying its luxury image, felt refreshingly. taut and delightfully alive to the controls?

Style. Refer to the picture on the left. Or: refer to Motor, January fó which said: :The Honda simply oozes showroom appeal. The overall attention to detaif matcties the best Europe can offer It the the bitw and Mercedes class:.

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## Judges reject Demjanjuk alibi

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## Prayers for Korean peace at Gloucesters' Hill 235



## Moscow homeless pin hope on charity



## Iran on defensive as Iraq gains in Fao peninsula






## US revives rose-tinted sentiments from the 60s



## Battle to get voters to polls in raucous New York primary

## Jackson continues late surge despite racial bickering

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## Smooth speaker holds key to Democrat choice



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## Critical issue in role for vice president



Bonn's plea after second F16 crash


## Canada frees French island's fishing protesters



## Mates faces angry Tories

## about Gulf action <br> Britain 'told but not consulted'

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#### Abstract




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## Labour attacks Norwegian bid for shipyard

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Local income tax plan from SLDP



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## Tournament of the Mind



- The top schools compete this week for an IBM computer




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# Long day's journey into nightcaps 

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| Jancis Robinson |
| charts its effects. |
| on mental and |
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The politics of drink: is alcohol's vivifying effect on Treasury income a barrier to reform?


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## WALL OF TYRANNY

Tony Danza, Colette Stevenson and David McCallum star in this romantic drama of the hopeless love between a G.I. and an East German girl separated by the infamous Berlin Wall. TONIGHTAT 8.00pm.

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## Enoch Powell

## Fears that have not changed


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Twenty years ago tomorrow Enoch Powell
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## Commentary • BEN PIMLOTT

## Killing the goose



 Crystal gazing

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international athletics argue that, though she makes out she is now British, she still takes part in South African sports events. They bring
in evidence the now-famous race at Brackpan. Miss Budd has, however, sworn an affidavit. which she mentions in it do not seem excessive - one for her 21 st birthday, another to take an Britain. another for Crristmas, and so on. She
denies being involved in any athletic event or denies being involved in any athletic everit or
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Apparently at Brackpan, shee wanted to
watcca a friend race Ske did some training in the area: "during this training I may have run across part of the course but in no way
whatsoever did $I$ take part in any race or
demonstration run whilst I was at the location."
Is she lying? If so, how can that be proved, in the absence of any overwhelming evidence
from those who want to discipline her? It is her

## DEATH OF A TERRORIST

The killing in Tunis at the weekend of Mr deprived the Palestine Liberation Organiza-
tion of its military commander. The PLO valued political ally, and Palestinians in the a valued pohitcal ally, and Palestinians in the
occupied West Bank and Gaza of a coordinator operations.
Wazir's death has been widely attributed, in
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out is another: This is not This is not the only theory to have been
advanced. Some have argued that Abu Jihad
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ficiently united to minimize the danger of continued terrorism. Such an assessment is too
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the PLO leadership of the only currently active Palestinian campaign.
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minimized if and wher the PLa stages one of
its favoured acts of spectacular vengeance.
Despite recent moves by Mr Yassir Arafat
and other PLO leaders to cast themselves as moderates, that description has to be assessed on the PLO scale-which has long been a scale
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signatory - she should not go to the Olympics. Having signed such agreements, British athlet-
ics should abide by them Which raises the bigger question. Should
Britain have signed them? With every year that passes, it becomes clearer that neither Britain,
nor any opher democracy, shonld have done so.
To single out South Africa for special opprobrium was to treal apartheid as a unique wo, for idealistic reasons as well as tor reasons which are far more cysical than anything
dreamt of by the 17 -year-old Miss Budy.
Apartheid is but one of many evils practised
by states across the globe. What is about it? Is it the racialism? If states w ere
boycoted and shunned for practising racial ism, international contacts would be restricted indeed Account would have to be taken of the
racialism of Malays against Chinese, Sinhalese against Tamils, Sudanese Muslims against
Sudanese blacks, blacks in Africa against Asians in Africa, and countless African tribes levers of office against another.
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including the Western signatories of anti-South African sports agreements - seemed not to
know that the post-colonial world is a world of different racialisms, of which South Africa's is
but one. There is no excuse for that ignorance. It is too late for the coming Olympics. But
the Westem democracies must sooner or later refuse to accede to the selective version of evil. he new reality. The Olympics would revert to In 1976, Black African states boycotted the
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## Seeking asylum

From Dr M. Louis Pirouet
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## word against her enemies - people, moreover, who give a powerful impression of wanting to get their own back for her being white, south African, and - by becoming a Bitish citizen -

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## Yours faithfully,

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## Shostakovich outshines Barber   


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## STOCK MARKET

## Bid talk and surge in oil shares lift prices

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| point cut in bank base rates to 8 per cent also induced bouts of institutional buying, but overall trading volume re mained small. <br> Interest waned towards the | Malaysia which has created the most opposition says it is inal production levels which would still see output fall. |  | mark but it is generally thought that Hanson has a small sharcholding ind would no donbt have a say in the alized. |
| early afternoon as some dealers decided to take profits abead of the opening of Wall Street. | Last night the price of North Sea Breat crude for May delivery rose another 10 cents | 111 p . London \& Sootrish Marine Oil $9 p$ to 361 p . Sbell 12 p 10 E10.74, and Sovereign Oil\& Gas 6 p to 117 p . | Sir Christoper Hoogs, chairman of Courtaulds, said he was taking a "ralaxed attirude" to the sudden interest in |
| This proved a wise move as the Dow Jones industrial avcrage quickly registered a fall of 14 points at one stage. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { BP } \\ & \text { in } \end{aligned}$ | Courtaulds, Britain's bigest texile group, met profitraking after Friday's speculative run on revived talk that | He said he was various rumours in the market but ehind a yyster |
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Atlantic's 1987 Performance: Major Highlights.

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COMMENT David Brewerton
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# De Beers still leads after 100 years-centenary marked by record sales, profits and dividend. 

Extracts from Julian Ogilvie Thompson's Statement for 1987

It must be unique for a company which on its formation became the leader of an international business, indisputably still to hold that position at its centenary. Yet that is the achievement of De Beers Consolidated Mines, which was formed on 12th March. 1888, and celebrated its centenary on 11th March, 1988, at a banquet in Kimberley.

It is no less gratifying that in our centenary year the Central Selling Organisation should have been able to announce record sales of rough diamonds, and the Company to announce record profitsand declare its highest dividend ever.

The sharp fall in prices on world stock exchanges from the middle of October understandably caused hesitancy in diamond markets. Fulfilling its traditional role, the CSO responded by severely reducing its sales at the Nowember and December sights and maintained its cautious policy into the new year. This action, together with reports of good Christmas sales in the retail trade, resulted in a restoration of confidence during the first quarter of 1988 and the market is once again firm.

## Furthergrowth.

For the fifth successive year world retail sales of diamond jewellery established a record, principally as a result of increasing consumer confidence and spending - a reflection in turn of further growth in the world economy - and the success of our major advertising and promotion campaigns in 28 countries. Retail sales in the United States again grew by some 10 per cent and sales outside the US were stimulated by thefall in the dollar. In Japan, the second biggest market, sales were buoyant, particularly in the larger pieces and men's jewellery. Strong growth was alsoevident in other parts of the Pacific Rim. In Europe, after a number of disappointing years, there has been a strengthening of demand, and overall we estimate that in dollar terms sales in the major markets rose by 14 per cent, as they did in 1986. The mood in both the cutting centres and the retail trade is optimistic, so that given the maintenance of producer co-operation and growth in the major economies we can look forward to another satisfactory year.

## Industrial Sales.

Sales of natural industrial diamonds and of synthetic abrasives and polycrystalline diamond (PCD) products were a record in both volume and value and the trend has continued into 1988. There has been some recovery in the natural drilling market, after severdl years of depression; and PCD products are penetrating new areas of application - rather than displacingother diamond tools - for example as large cutting pieces for oil-well drilling and the wood-working industry.

The Argyle mine in Australia, which in terms of volume is the world's largest producer. has been operating at full capacity for the last two years. The absorption by the market of most of the cuttable portion of its production has been remarkable. This has been greatly facilitated by the efforts of the CSO, both in its methods of assortment and sale and through its consumer advertising; by the constructive relationship between it and Argyle Diamond Sales; and by the ingenuity of the Indian industry, which manufactures the majority of these stones, in working them.

An important development during the
year was the exchange by De Beers Botswana Mining Company (Debswana), in which the Government of Botswana is an equal partner, of part of the stock of diamonds accumulated in the depression of the early eighties fora five percent shareholding in De Beers iself. The arrangements also entitle Debswanato representation on the boards of De Beersand the Diamond TradingCompany. As chenew mines discovered by De Beers' geologists in mines discovered by De Beers geologists in
Botswana have been brought into production in the last two decades Debswana has become the western world's major producer of diamonds, by value, and it is entirely appropriate that it should participate fully in the decision-making of De Beers and the CSO. Iam sure the arrangement will further strengthen the stability and confidence of the industry as a whole.

Toral production from De Beers'. mines and Debswana in 1987 was marginally lower at 22.842.586 carats. The mines have continued tocontrol costs satisfactorily in an inflationary


The diamond industry employs several million people in over forty countries across four coninenens of the world.
environment. Plantmodifications at the Jwaneng mine in Botswana should resultin a further increase in production of some five per cent this year. Close co-operation between the mines and the Diamond Research Laboratory continues to result in the introduction of improved recovery and morecost-effective techniques.

The economic appraisal of the Venetia pipes in the Northern Transvaal has been updated, butunfortunately the project coninues to show an inadequate returnon investment under current parameters, induding the taxation capital allowance base. We shall conrinue to do all we can to turn this potentially importantoccurrence toaccount.
Our world-wide prospecting programmes have beencontinued: there are nodiscoveries ofeconomic significance to report
For many years our wholly-owned subsidiary CDM hasfinanced one-third of the Anglo American Groups prospecting programme in Namibia. We were, cherefore, particularly pleased when Anglo American, joindy with CDM, announced in October that it would be opening at a cost of R 90 million
the pre-university bursary scheme for black undergraduates, which we initiated with Anglo American Corporation at the University of the Witwaterstand and is now beingextended to the universities of Cape Town and Natal. To improve understanding of the career opportunities offered by the mining industry and itseducational requirements we have introduced a new system of liaison between the mines and secondary school teachers and pupils which should be of benefit toall concerned.
Legislation removing job reservation in the mining industry has at last been passed but not yet brought intooperation, pending the determination of new regulations. It is highly important that this long-outstanding matter should be brought to finality quickly, and that the regulations should facilitate the award of certificates of competency to qualified blacks.

The AngloAmerican and De Beers Chairman's Fund and Educational Trust approved expenditure during the year of R49 million, of which some 80 per cent is oneducation, primarily to helpredress the imbalance between the black and white educational systems.

## Reform for South Africa.

De Beersstrongly supports rapid reform towards equal opportunity and dignity forall South Africans, based on full participation in the political process. Regrettably I cannot:report any notable progress in this directiontin: the year under review. The May 1987 election for the White Chamber of Parliament was foughtlargely on the issues of sanctions and security, and the response of the electorate, significandy, showed a marked swing to the: right, with Afrikaans-speaking voters leaving. the ruling National party for the Conservadive patty, while English-speakersswung from the, Progressive Federal party and the New Republic party to the Nationalists. The overall effect was to make the Government much more concerned about pressure from its right the Conservative party having replaced the Progressives as the official opposition - than from its left, and in consequence the reform. process came almost to a halt. The Group Areas Act, one of the last great pillars of apartheid, is to be amended, not scrapped, and it remains to be seen whether the changes to be tabled will be bold enough to relieve the pressureon the few "grey" residential areas that. have been tolerated.

## KwaZulu/Natal Indaba.

A measure of consolation may be found in the fact that some of the positive changesmade in earlier years have continued to bear fruit. In industrial relations, in education, in housing: and in black participation in business, particularly in the informal sector, there has been progress. A joint executive authority between Natal and KwaZulu has been established and the Government, notwithstanding some discouraging statements, is said still to be considering the innovative constitutional proposals of the KwaZulu/Natal Indaba.

South Africa continues to be governed under a state of emergency, and recently farreaching new restrictions were imposed upon a number of political and semi-political organisations. It is not easy to discern the reasons for what was done; if it is indeed true that South Africa can only be governed by such methods as these, then the need for constitutional reform. is obviously greater than ever.

Despite sanctions and disinvestment there: has been a marked recovery in economic activity, and in the blackurban areas at least there seems to be some improvement in the quality of life. The Government's major concem now is to embark on a wide-ranging reform of : the economic system. That is certainly as mportantas it is welcome, but it has to be realised that economic progress and political reformgo together. One effectof the recent bannings may be to intensify sanctions and disinvestment, counter-productive though they have proved to be politically, and damaging as they are to the livelihood of those they ostensibly seek to help. More than ever it is urgently necessary to negotiate and implementa constitution which can provide equal opportunity and political participation for all, protected by. an entrenched Bill of Rights.

The full Chairmans Statement is contained in the Annual Report of the Company for the : year ended 31st December 1987 which was posted to registered Shareholders on 18th April 1988.
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